United States Consulate General Guadalajara, Mexico

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Message for U.S. Citizens: August 5th Visit to Lake Chapala/Ajijic **July 23, 2015**

We have been informed by CI Bank in Ajijic that they are able to issue U.S. dollar checks again and look forward to resuming regular services on our next visit on August 5th.

For those who wish to come to the Consulate for notarial services, please note that as of July 1st, we have moved to an appointment system. Please see our website for complete details.

Please direct any questions regarding our services to acsgdl@state.gov.

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We strongly recommend that U.S. citizens traveling to or residing in Mexico enroll in the Department of State's <u>Smart Traveler Enrollment Program</u> (STEP) at <u>www.Travel.State.Gov</u>. STEP enrollment gives you the latest security updates, and makes it easier for the U.S. embassy or nearest U.S. consulate to contact you in an emergency. If you don't have Internet access, enroll directly with the nearest U.S. embassy or consulate.

Regularly monitor the State Department's website, where you can find current Travel Warnings, (including the Travel Warning for Mexico), Travel Alerts, and the Worldwide Caution. Read the Country Specific Information for Mexico. For additional information, refer to "A <u>Safe Trip Abroad</u>" on the State Department's website.

Contact the U.S. embassy or consulate for up-to-date information on travel restrictions. You can also call 1-888-407-4747 toll-free in the United States and Canada or 1-202-501-4444 from other countries. These numbers are available from 8:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. Eastern Time, Monday through Friday (except U.S. federal holidays). Follow us on Twitter and Facebook, and download our free Smart Traveler iPhone App to have travel information at your fingertips.

The U.S. Embassy/Consulate in Guadalajara is located at 175 Progreso Street, Col. Americana, and is open 7:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., tel. 011-52-33-3268-2100, fax 011-52-33-3825-1951. If you are a U.S. citizen in need of urgent assistance, the emergency number for the U.S. Consulate is 011-52-33-3268-2145.

The U.S. Consular Agency in Puerto Vallarta is located at Paseo de los Cocoteros #85; Sur Paradise Plaza, Interior Local L-7, Nuevo Vallarta, Nayarit and is open Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. The U.S. Consular Agency in Puerto Vallarta's telephone numbers are 011-52-322-222-0069 & 011-52-322-223-3301; the fax number is 011-52-322-223-0074. For after-hours emergencies, please call 011-52-33-3268-2145.